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OR,

AN ASTROLOGICAL DISCOURSE
OF

The great ECLIPSE of the SUN,

which happened on June 22. 1666.

in 10 deg. of the Watry signe Cancer.

SHEWING

What EFFECTS may most probably attend it,

AND

Unto what Persons, Kingdoms and Countries,
they are chiefly Directed.

By JOHN GADBURY, φιλομαθηματικός.

With Allowance.

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but prevented by reason of the late terrible Conflagration of London.

Sol & Luna, post Deum, omnium viventium vita sunt. Hermes.



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To the

TRUELY LEARNED,

And most

WORTHILY ACCOMPLISHED,

Elias Ashmole,

Of the Middle-Temple, Esq;

Windsor-Herald, Comptroller of the *Excise*,
and Keeper of the *Medals* and *Antiqui-*
ties belonging to his sacred Majestie King
CHARLES the Second, &c.

Most honour'd Sir!

THe *Astrolagers* of this Age and I-
stand, swarm to You, as their Pa-
tron, (for shelter and protection
of *Themselves* and *Books*) as
Bees to their Hive. It is an Argument of

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true Sapience (I confess) to lodge the *choicest Jewels*, in the *Noblest Cabinets* : And the *Worthiest Sciences*, fare always best, with the most Honourable *Mecænas*. Such *Policie* I approve of, and (although, at some times, (by reason of *Tortuous interposures*) I could not, yet) shall now, follow. For, when after *Ages* shall understand, that I have made, not the *meanest Additions* to this *Celestial Study*; It may reasonably put *them* into *Admiration*, if not *Astonishment*, not to finde me, set within some *convenient distance* of your *honourable Acquaintance* and *Favour*.

'Tis true, in the *twilight* of *Great Britains hope*, and *Restauration* by his *Sacred Majesty*, [when it was a *Crime*, either to be known *Loyal*, or to own any one of that (then-despised) *inclination* and *Judgement*] I, with another, did present unto You, *An Emendation of the Learned Hartgil's Astronomical Tables*; which Book, You were pleased *generously*, not onely to accept, and approve of, but nobly to encourage us, to a farther Enquiry into the *Mysterics* of that *Science* we had then *espoused*.

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The Epistle Dedicatory.

ail Briefly; have I never yet paid my Acknowledgements, for the Honour I owe, unto your exquisite Skill in all Mathematical, Hermetical; and Physicall Learning; your eminent acquaintance with the Constitutions, Customs, and Manners of our own, and forraign Nations; your Admirable Knowledge in the Law, Heraldry, &c. as also, in all Politiques and Ethicks; Be pleased (learned Sir) to accept it here.

I disdain to make you Patron of my Gall and Rudeness, as some (without a Blush) have lately done: or yet, to play the Parasite with You, and propound a Gain to my self, by this Undertaking. No: my Dedication of these few Sheets of Paper, proceeds (*ex intimis Medullis*) not from a Spurious, but Legitimate honour and affection, and a desire to let the Learned, in times to come, know, That no Artist in this Age, had a more Cordial esteem for You, and your incomparable Vertues; or, could more readily acknowledge, your continued, and often-reiterated Favours, to the ingenious Students in all Learning, then He, who
assumes

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assumes the boldness, (and accounts it his
greatest Glory) to entitle himself

(Honoured Sir)

Your most humble,

and

most obliged

Servant,

JOHN GADBURY.



To the READER.

THe Heavens of late years, have not been laden with more various Causes, and Monitors of ensuing Mischiefs, than the Earth hath been burdened with suitable Effects. No sooner have we been quit of one Evil, but our Ears have been terrified with the noise of another's approach; like that of Job's messengers. Poor Europe hath laboured under many of Israels heavie Judgements; perhaps, deserved them as much as she; for her Hypocrisie, Pride, Rebellion, &c. And the two thundering Verses in Deuteronomie, Chap. 28. v. 21, 22. have been notably fulfilled unto (almost) all the several Kingdoms and Countries therein: Faciet Jehova ut adhærescat tibi Pestis, donec consumpserit te ex ea terra quo tu venturus es ad possidendam eam jure hæreditario. Percutiet te Jehova tæbe, calidaque, & æstuante ac adurente Febre, & siccitate & uridine, & morbo regio; quæ persequuntur te donec peræas.

The late Sufferings of this Western part of the world, do eminently English the most of the Latine: We have been smitten with the Pestilence to purpose; as also, with the Consumption, and Fever; with the Sword, and extreme Burning: yea, a different, and (perhaps) more dreadful Burning, than that mentioned in the Text. God of his mercy grant, we be not pursued with Blasting and Mildew,

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*Dr. Gell, in
a Sermon in-
tituled, *No-
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turning*, p.
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too, to make up the complement of our punishments,
which doubtless are the just rewards of our Sins.

A Learned * Preacher observing the vitious incli-
nations of the men of this Age (*Some years since*)
parallels us with Sodom, thus: They of Sodom
prefigured the men of this unclean generation; and
must not we expect a like Judgement unto that of
Sodom? And (*when we call to minde the late strange
providences*) we may for ever hereafter believe
it, for a divine and infallible Truth, That like
Sins, have like Punishments.

But there is hopes of a tree, (*though cut down*)
that it may sprout again! and I have a more-than-
ordinary reason to believe, (*and I hope I do not
deceive my self therein*) that Englands afflictions
are neer their period: and can therefore with the
more confidence, adde this word of Comfort unto
it, That the Famine, threatned by the late So-
lar *Deliquium*, is not likely to prove the tythe so
sharp and cruel unto this Kingdom, as unto many
other Kingdoms and Countries in this part of the
world. [*Jupiter is in Aries.*] Yet I cannot say,
that we shall be totally free, from the talons of that
black and dreadful enemy. Deus avertat. So
prayeth, the earnest Implorer of Englands peace
and prosperity,

Brick-Court, neer Deans
yard Westminster,

Jo. Gadbury.

March 14. 1665.



A

DISCOURSE

Of the SUNS ECLIPSE

Which happened on *June 22.* last past,
in the morning.

IN my Ephemeris for this present year 1666, I declared to the World my resolution to publish a Treatise of this great Solar Eclipse: which promise I had (according to engagement) discharged in my DIARY for the ensuing year 1667. having much enlarged the same, and obtained License thereof, for that very end and purpose.

But the late dreadful Conflagration happening to London, wrought so great a destruction among the Stationers and Printers in that Citie, (they suffering the most by the Tyrannical Flames, of any one Society whatsoever) that I was constrained to reduce my Annual Book to its old number of Sheets, and reserve my Discourse of the Eclipse to be printed apart by self. And conceiving it to be of convenient Caution and Consequence, not onely

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ly to *England*, but other parts of *Europe*, &c. I thought it proper, rather then stifle it, (after so much pains) to print it. For although the Eclipse it self be over, its effects are to come; and may continue among us (if Astrologie fail me not; as seldome it doth) these *two years* yet: (of which more anon.) I therefore presume this short Tractate will not appear like an unfortunate Guest, (*post Festum*) after the Table is clear'd; but very opportunely, for the Information and Advantage of such as are thereby concerned.

I need not (for an *Exordium*) acquaint you, that Eclipses have been always attended with *Astonishing Effects*; or that at the sight of them, *whole Armies* have been smitten with amazement, fear, and horreur: or of the *scorching Summers*, *unkinde Winters*, destructions of Countries, ruines of Cities and Towns, the death of Kings and Great persons, alterations of Governments, change of Laws, &c. that commonly accompany them. All these things I shall (at present) pretermitt, and conte to the Discourse intended; which I will consider,

First, *Astronomically*.
Secondly, *Astrologically*.

In the Astronomical part, I shall first take notice of some Notable Observations that have been made of this Eclipse, by several eminent persons in different places; which I shall exhibit in the following Tabular form.

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This Eclipse was observed in the following places.

June 22. in the morning, 1666.	At London.	In Paris.	At Madrid.	In Southam- pton	Near York.	At Oxford.
	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
Beginning at	5 43	5 45	5 05	5 25	5 34	5 27
The Middle of it	6 15	6 42	6 26	6 22	6 32	6 23
End thereof	7 37	7 43	7 57	7 23	7 30	7 24
Total Duration	1 54	1 58	2 51	1 58	1 56	1 57
Digits Eclipsed	7 47	50	7 46	7 22	7 18	7 15

The Reader need not much to wonder at the Differences of these Observations; if he do but consider they were taken in several places, where the *Pole* hath a different Elevation; and that the *Parallax* might materially differ. Yet it seems a little strange, that there should be less difference between those Observations made at *London* and *Paris*, then betwixt them made at *London*, and those at *Southampton* and *Oxford*. But the Errour thereof may be occasion'd from the imperfection of the Instruments the Artists made use of; or else, for want of Exactness in the observers themselves: it being easier (in any thing) to be overtaken by Errours and Mistakes, then to keep pace with Truth and Certainty; chiefly, in Astronomical Observations.

With the most concurrent of these Observations, do the *Rudolphine* and *Philolaick* Tables agree; so also do those of my loving friend Mr. *V. Wing*, and our Country-man Mr. *Jeremy Shackerly*. The *Ricciolan* and *Lausbergian*, &c. are found to differ much, both in the beginning, continuation,

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 termination, and obscuration of this eminent and famous Eclipse.

But next unto the safest Observations, do I prefer Mr. Wing's Tables, where you will finde this Solar *deliquium*

	ho. min. sec.	June 21. P.M.
To begin at	17. 28. 0.	
The visible Conjunction at	18. 22. 38.	
Middle of the Eclipse at	18. 24. 48.	
The End of it at	19. 26. 4.	
Total Duration	1. 58. 4.	
Digits Eclipsed	7. 25. 14.	

This premised, I shall in the next place consider (with *Prology*) how many hours there are (on the day of the Defect) between Sun-rising and the middle-time of the Eclipse; unto which Astrologers always erect their Figure of heaven. For take notice (saith the same Author) how many hours the Sun is Eclipsed, for so many years shall be the duration of his Effects.

Sun rises at 4 a'clock in the morning.

Interval between Sun-rising and the Middle of the Eclipse is 2 ho. 25 min. 0 sec.

The Duration, according to the best Observations, and Mr. Wing's Tables, is 1 ho. 58 min. 0 sec.

This obtained, I work by this Analogie:

As the length of the day on which the Eclipse happens, is to 365 days: so the interval between Sun-rising and the Middle of the Eclipse, is to the time ere its Effects begin to shew themselves.

Demonstration.

Length of the day 16 ho. 20 min. or 1080 m. 30334237

365 days, or one year, 25622929

Interval between Sun-rising and the Middle of the Eclipse is 2 ho. 25 min. or 145 min. } 21613680

The sum is 47236609

Time ere the Effects begin, 49 days. 16902372

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Which 49 days numbred from the day of the Eclipse, viz. June 22. the Effects thereof initiate, or first begin to shew themselves, on the tenth day of August following.

Now for the Continuation of the Effects, that is known from the Duration, which is two hours *ferè*: Ergo, they will continue in force neer two years from the time they first commence, viz. from August, anno 1666. until July, anno 1668.

Thus much may serve for the Mathematical part: now I come to the Astrological. And therein I shall first present you with the Figure of heaven erected to the Middle-time of this famous Eclipse, in the following form and shape; and afterward with the genuine signification thereof.

Longit. Solis		• 5 10 d. 23 m.
Ascensio Recta	{ Solis	101. 18
	{ Temporis	276. 15
	{ Med. Cæli sine Cir.	17. 33
Huc adde pro primo domo		90. 0
Summa totius addenda		} 107. 33
Ascensio Obliqua primæ domus		

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Judicium Astrologicum.

IN this *Ecliptical Figure*, the Regal and fiery signe *Leo* ascends the Horoscope, and the *Sun* (the Dominator of that signe, and Luminary eclipsed) is posited in *Cancer*, a Cardinal-Tropical-Feminine signe, moveable and watry. As if many matters or things of most eminent note, that for divers ages past have been flourishing, fixed, or stative, are by this Solar *Deliquium*, portended subject to a strange kinde of instability, inconstancie, and fluctuation: and this most apparent in Islands, and among such Nations or People as are surrounded with, or chiefly live and inhabit by, and upon the Sea. The signe wherein the Defect happens, is the Horoscope of *Holland*, and the rest of the *United Provinces*, the Seigniory of *Venice*, *Scotland*, &c. and they may assure themselves they are concerned therein: of which more shall be said anon.

It is the Moon, the lesser light, (or rather, a body that is opaque, and hath no innate light at all) that thus Eclipseth the Sun, the Royal Lamp of heaven; the glorious *Fountain of Light*, from whence she her self receives illumination. I hope and pray, That no actions of *Ingratitude*, correspondent to so unusual an Eclipse, may appear, or be perpetrated in any part of this our *European world*. The Moon Eclipseth the Sun, in her own dignities; in a place, where she hath power to triumph and tyrannize to purpose. The Sun (say Astrologers) signifies, the most illustrious and glorious, of Persons and Things: the Moon, the basest, and most-to-be-contemned and despised. I could acquaint you with many such kinde of Eclipses, both of former and later times; and with the *tristitious attendants* of them: but I would not be thought *Dolores renovare*, to renew

renew old Sorrows, or awake the sleeping Errours of either our own, or any other Kingdom or Nation.

A Signo deliquii sumitur iudicium generis rerum afflictorum. Astrologers in giving Judgements upon the defects of the Luminaries, say, That the Effects of them shall fall principally upon those Kindes of men or things, which are signified by the signe wherein the Eclipse happens.

The signe wherein this famous Eclipse is celebrated (as you have already heard) is Cardinal-Moveable-Watery,

Eclipsis Solis and Fœminine. The learned Proclus saith; *An Eclipse of the Sun in the Watery Triplicity* (chiefly the dignities of the Moon, the having signification of the Popular multitude) *denotes a rot or consumption of the vulgar sort of people, many rumours and discontent, great Seditions, Mutinies, and expectations of Wars; a destruction of Water-fowl, and death of Fishes; great Inundations, and overflowings of Sea-banks, and drowning of many places; with many great and unheard-of mischiefs, acted and done by and upon the Waters.*

And as very much damage and prejudice to some people, parts or places, is probable to happen, by or upon the Waters, &c. so also it is very likely to fall out unto others, by reason of a want or scarcity of Waters. And so saith

the same Author, in these words:--- *When the Sun shall suffer an Eclipse in the second Decanate of Cancer, Fountains and Rivers shall be dried up, and there will be a great want of waters; much incontinencie among men and women doth also succeed; and a great deal of fraud, circumvention and deceit will be practis'd.*

But now, as this eminent Eclipse falls in a signe of the Watery Triplicity; so it happens in a Cardinal Tropical signe likewise. And all Astrologers consent, that Eclipses in *Æquinoctial* and *Tropical* (which are the onely Cardinal) signes, are of the most eminent concernment unto this terrene Globe, and pour down their influences upon it the most forcibly and violently.

Æquinoctia signa & Tropica turbulentiora & populariora dicuntur, & generaliter significant rerum Civilium mutationem, saith one: (*id est*) *We finde by experience, that your*

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Tropical and Equinoctial signes are more violent, turbulent, and popular, then are any of the other parts of the Zodiack; and Eclipses, great Conjunctions, Comets, &c. happening in any of them, are the most remarkable in their effects.

The reason hereof is neer at hand: the greatest and most noble of *actions* and *things* (be they Ecclesiastical or Civil) are dependant upon Cardinal or Tropical signes; they are the Hinges or *Axis* upon which the most weighty and illustrious Persons or Matters (either of Universal or Particular, Publique or Private concernment) move or turn. And when an Eclipse, Comet, or other Celestial *Phænomena* happens therein, such things, or persons, most naturally and principally are designed to share in their Influences.

We have instances familiar enough, in the common vicissitudes of the Weather, of the great verity hereof. For when any grand *Satellitium*, Conjunction, Opposition, or Quadrate Aspect of the Planets happens to be in Cardinal Signes, the Air is more then ordinarily perturbed; as we saw it in the Effects of the Quadrate of *Sol* and *Saturn*, on *March 30.* this year, and upon the Opposition of the Sun and *Saturn* on *June 29.* following; as also, upon the Quadrate of *Sol* and *Saturn* on *September 27.* after that: these Aspects all happening in Cardinal Signes; as may be seen by the *Ephemerides*. We know also, that persons born under Cardinal Signes, are more vigorous, active, and (I was about to say) violent, then others: as to instance in the late King of *Sweden*, *Carolus Gustavus*; *Oliver Cromwel*; the present Emperour of *Turkey*; *cum multis aliis*, of former and later times. We could prove likewise, that those Kingdoms, &c. whose Ascendents are Cardinal Signes, are more spirituous, couragious, active, furious, mutable, and inconstant, then are other Kingdoms, whose Horoscopes are in other parts of the Zodiack; as *Germany*, *Polonia*, *France*, *Saxony*, *Alsatia*, *Holland*, *Denmark*, and *England* too; for that is under *Aries*, and hath been subject (the more is the pitié) to mutability and inconstancie as much as any other Nation whatever.

But to pass by this little Digression: not onely the E-

eclipse is in a Cardinal Signe, but at the time of the defect, the two infortunate Stars (so called by reason of their in-temperate natures and qualities, and the malignant Effects they are always by experience known to send among mortals) *Saturn* and *Mars*, do obviate the Luminaries from Cardinal Signes; thereby making the darkness much blacker in its effects, then otherwise it would be. And these two Planets do not onely conspire against the Sun, (the Luminaty suffering) and the Moon, the Agent in this *Deliquium*; but crosse and square each other, and that (in some respects) maliciously. As if they intimated some more then ordinary mischiefs, and alterations to be (under the influence of this Eclipse) hatching and contriving (either in *Italy*, *Holland*, or some other parts beyond the Seas;) which when brought to pass, the Projectors themselves (*Saturn* and *Mars*) by contending with each other, will but make room for the advancement and promotion of some yet-unexpected and unthought-of person or interest. *Mercury* sits and smiles at the forward folly, and rash adventures of the other Planets: 'tis he that is the stron-

Planeta qui est in undecima domo, alij the Heavens. A Planet in the eleventh house (saich Haly) is or est illo quibighe-ther then one in the ninth, sixth, or third: And able (there- in 9, 6, aut 3 fore) to attempt and compass nobler things then he.

Mercurius dominus deliquij generaliter quidem in illius stelle naturam se insinuat, atq; convertitur, cum quatuor fuerit configuratus, &c.
Ptol. l. 2. C. 8.
Apotel.

The nimble Planet Mercury being Lord of an Eclipse, generally assumes the nature of that Planet with whom he is configured. Howbeit, as he is the Author of quick and violent motion, so he intimates celerity in humane actions, affairs, and concerns; irritates much cunning, craft, and subtilty, lying and deceit, perjury, &c. much robbing both at Sea and Land; makes much controversie in the Customs and Laws of Nations, alterations of old Privileges, Charters, or Corporations; many Law-suits and unappeasable differences he promotes. In the Air (he being cold and dry, and mostly neer the Sun) he generates high and blustering winds, great tempests, thunders and lightnings, sometimes earthquakes, &c. Heresies and Schisms get ground under his Regencie, (Europe has no need,

need of that) and a race of people usually appear, that will contemn Ceremonies, and throw dirt in the face of all Religious Worship: he also denotes depopulations, and a destruction of things useful for the support of humane life; and hinders the growth of vegetables: he stirs up diseases of siccity, as Consumption, Ptifick, Fevers, &c. These are the natural significations of *Mercury*, as Lord of an Eclipse: but as he is in Aspect of *Jupiter*, (though it be by a Quadrate) it is to be hoped that his effects will meet with some abatement; but much I cannot promise myself, because *Jupiter* is just leaving *Pisces*, and nearly in Opposition of *Mars* in this Ecliptical Figure: yet somewhat he will perform, by vertue of his own benefique nature, and of his having rule in this great *Deliquium*, next unto *Mercury*, whose effects I have at large related.

And not onely *Mercury* hath signification of the aforesaid distempers, but the Eclipse in general is the fore-runner of many tedious and durable infirmities that shall afflict the persons of men and women: *Saturn* is in *Capricorn* in the sixth house, (of the Greeks called *κατὰ τὸν*, from the great infelicity and unhappiness which diseases bring to mankind; they being the envious opposites unto health, which is the greatest blessing in the world, and most of all to be coveted!) and there powerful to do mischief: *Mars* also is Lord of that Angle by Exaltation, and (being in reception and Quartile of *Saturn*) shall in part designe the diseases portended, viz. the Calenture, Jaundies, Imposthumes, Madnes, Pestilence, Pox, Botches, Inflammations, &c. Wherefore, by reason of his violence and destructive poysonous qualities, he is much to be feared. *Cave iram Martis*: we ought, when in a Figure of an Eclipse we finde *Mars* in a position apt for the promoting of mischiefs, to beware of his raging and thundering threats.

It is the opinion of *Hermes*, *Aphor. 90.* that *Saturn* performs evil more slowly, but *Mars* more swift: and *Mars* is therefore (saith he) observed to hurt more then *Saturn*. Most sure I am, that although *Mars*, in regard of his velocity and

heat, hurts more, (that is, more furiously and ragingly) then *Saturn* doth; yet is *Saturn* (as I before urged) the author and procurer of the most durable mischiefs and miseries unto mankind: And as he (*secundum Hermetem*) performs evil more slowly; yet by reason of his tardous motion, and envious tenacious nature, he is most certain to accomplish it the more surely: and this I am afraid we poor mortals shall finde and experience to purpose, from his envious, malignant, and pernicious effects, portended unto us by his position in this Solar defect.

Surely God is angry with these Western parts of the world, and that exceedingly! in that he shews so many eminent and signal tokens of his divine displeasure against us. But lately, viz. anno 1663. on Octob. 10. was celebrated an unusual Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, in the Regal and fiery signe *Sagittary*: such a Conjunction that happens but once in 795 years, it beginning the circuit of those two Planets in the Fiery Trigon*.

* See more of
this Conjunction
in my Dies
Nobilissimus,
or Dooms-day
not so near as
dreaded.

And a little after that, there appeared three dreadful Comets or Blazing Stars, as so many *Monitors* of approaching terrours and dangers to befall most part of the habitable Globe: those Comets having relation in their motion, unto almost three parts of the whole Zodiacal Circle. And now this year, (as if those rare and unusual *Phænomena* were not of themselves sufficient to presage hor- rour enough to compleat poor *Europes* already-begun mi- series!) we are fallen under the effects of a Solar Eclipse, in a Cardinal Tropical signe: and this defect was visible to all this Occidental part of the world: the glorious Lamp of heaven refusing to afford us his wonted benigne influences, by suffering (in this defect) his nobler rays to be with-held from us.

As the sad and to-be-lamented effects of these several *Celestial Ambassadors*, we have had our sufficient share of *Wars*, the company of that horrid, black and dismal ene- my the *Pestilence*; a miserable desolation and destruction by *Fire*; and all these too long and too heavey upon us! and yet *Gods anger is not turned away, his hand is stretched out*

ent still ! the envious Planet *Saturn*, and furious Planet *Mars* (by their malefique positions and configuration in this Solar *Deliquium*) are yet working more mischiefs and disturbances, in the mindes, manners, and actions of mankind ; and will (by their evil influence) hinder and obstruct the course of things, both in Natural Generation, and in Trade, and in affairs of most kindes. God grant a *Famine* succeed not those several former severer Judgements of the Almighty, if it be his blessed will. Although those other Judgements have been afflictions grievous to be born, and eminently terrifying (almost) unto all sorts of people ; yet the least part of the *Famine* will be far more transcendently intolerable and cruel unto mankind, then all the other put together.

Famine (saith one) is sometimes so fierce, that it makes the mother use the teeth in stead of her lips to her own childe ; to bite without pitie the infant which she used to kiss ; and in stead of giving it suck, to let out the blood of it. God keep so black an enemy from the doors of all true-hearted English-men ! we have had our portion of *Plenty*, and this in so great and abundant measure, that we have wallowed therein : Oh ! that we might be able to divert our part of *Penury*, by acts of *Charity*, *Prayer*, and *Repentance*.

Had we no assistance from the Celestial movers for our Judgements in these matters, yet those observations we are able to make from common Experience, might readily inculcate to us a more-then-ordinary probability thereof ; since it is the Order which God and Nature observeth, to pursue a *Plenty* with a *Dearth*, and to punish extreme Wantonness with griping Want.

Bright mornings oft have blackest afternoons.

The learned *Hieronymus Cardanus* tells us, (and I am affected too oraculously) that the effects of an Eclipse of the Sun *tes sunt, unde* are very powerful, which happening in the beginning of a hope-*si in florentem* ful and flourishing harvest, denotes sterility and barrenness to *Messim inci-* follow. I fear, I fear, that the great strength of *Saturn* (*derint sterili-* *tatem afferunt*)
mean Seg. 2. Aph. 16

Eclipsū Solis

effectus poten-

si in florentem

Messim inci-

derint sterili-

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mean not particularly in this Solar Eclipse, but) in this whole year, and some years yet succeeding, will, and doth presage, not onely Sterility, or a Dearth of Corn, &c. but a destruction of all things growing upon the earth, useful for mankind. He is in a Cadent house in the heavens,

Cadentia sunt spiritus, & quicquid accidit in eis, idem accidit in spiritibus.
Haly.

thence afflicting the Lights : Haly says, that *Cadent houses* are as it were spirits ; and whatsoever happens in them ; (he means either of fortitude or amiction) happens unto the spirits of men or things. Hence I am fearful, that not onely the spirits of men will be macerated and perplexed ; but the spirits or seeds of Vegetables will lose their soul and vigour, and not be capable of rooting and bringing forth the fruits of the earth, as at other times. Saturn is a Planet cold and dry ; and therefore (in a Physical sense) a great enemy to, and hinderer of all Natures products, and indeed of all natural Existencies : And he is now posited in Capricorn, in a cold, dry, melancholy and feminine signe ; as if the most hopeful conceptions were threatned to be destroyed in *ἐμψύωσις*, or in the womb, and scarcely suffered to see the light ; much less to come to maturity. The learned Rigel, in his 83 Aphorism, sets it down as an absolute Conclusion, That Saturn is the most pernicious and destructive in his effects, when he is posited (as now in this Eclipse) in a feminine signe.

Thus you see, Authors are positive and agreeing : An Eclipse in the beginning of a Harvest, denotes barrenness, saith Cardan.

The spirits of Vegetables, &c. are afflicted, saith Haly.

Saturn is most destructive when in feminine signes, saith Rigel.

The Eclipse it self began in June, a little after the beginning of the Summer, viz. when the Grain begins to harden in the Ear. We have had a very dry Summer ; a hot and moist Autumn ; (as if the natures of the Seasons were really changed.) Let us petition, that God of his infinite goodness, would not permit or suffer our Harvests for some years succeeding, either by unkind and bitter frosts, Mildews, or unseasonable Showers, to be either blasted or lodged,

lodged, or suffer other damage or prejudice, before it comes to be fully hardened, and fit for the painful Husbandmans Sickles.

Yet a little further. *Sol omnibus Planetis tribuit vires :* (they are * Cardans words.) *The Sun* (as he is *Rex Planetarum*, the King of all Stars) gives strength and power to the Planets. And when his light is hindered, his influence is obstructed, and Nature receives a check in all her teemings, and is thereby much molested in her noblest and freest operations.

And, *There is no Planet more benefique and friendly unto this earthly Globe, then is the Sun :* for he is the greatest of the fortunate Stars, and disperses his happie rays and influences most liberally. Great therefore must the damages and injuries be unto mankind, when his most illustrious and nourishing beams shall be with-held from them, though but for the smallest portion of time : much more, when we shall be deprived of his friendly rays some hours together, as now in this *Solar Deliquium*.

And although there be some men who weakly maintain, that Eclipses have no more influences upon terrestrial bodies, then the black-fac'd night ; yet deny they cannot, that the one is natural and ordinary, the other prodigious and extraordinary : and certainly their effects must be as different as their natures. Nay, they that quarrel most against the influences of such obscurities and defects, cannot (by their quarrelling) anticipate the effects thereby portended, in either their own, or friends Nativities.

The Diurnal motion of the Earth, (or Sun, if people will have it so) is such, that there is an apparent Physical reason to be rendred of the common and never-failing intercourse of Day and Night. But Eclipses happening in no such order, and at no such certainty, (*in respectu temporis*) clearly demonstrate the darkness of the night less valid and efficacious, then that in Eclipses : the one coming to pass by a constant and unalterable Law or Edict of Nature ; and the other happening by Natures Decrees also, but at no such certain, distinct, and determinate times.

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Were Eclipses as certain to happen as is the night, (I mean, when the same reason in Nature is afforded) then should we have Eclipses of both Luminaries every month: for, if we consider that the Sun is eclipsed onely in his Synod or Conjunction with the Moon; and the Moon suffers an obscuration when she is diametrically opposed to the Sun; we must conclude the cause of the Suns Eclipse to be the interposition of the Moon between him and the Earth; and the cause of the Moons Eclipse to be the interposition of the Earth between the Sun and her.

Now we know, that there is not a month passeth us, but affordeth a *New* and *Full Moon*; yet we may be six months and more, sometimes, without an Eclipse of either Luminary: *Ergo*, Eclipses are of far greater concernment unto mankind, then the Enemies of Astrologie are aware of, whose ignorance in *Starry matters*, would seem to make them of one and the same influence and effect with the necessary darkness and obscurity of the night.

The natural privation of light in the night, is (in its kinde) of as good use unto all things sublunary, as the splendour and beauty of the day; and is as necessarily opposed thereunto, as the siccity and calidity of the Summer and Autumn, to the humidity and frigidity of the Spring and Winter. But as it must be destructive to have two Summers in a year, where one is of sufficient force to ripen all that one Spring can produce; so must it needs be contrary to the increase and nourishment of the feminal vertues of all terrene productions, to have a double night; or in the stead of one, a night and a half, whenas one singly is endowed with vigour enough, to concoct and allay the heat of bright *Phæbus's* scorching rays, that one day affords. I will conclude this Digression with an Excursion of the learned *Peucer* concerning the effects of Eclipses: *Quantos incendit æstus quamdiu flagrant, Solis sub V anno quadragesimo? Quos motus in Orbe Terrarum commovit, cum hæc Solis, tum altero anno post Lune Eclipsis? Nata ex illis & propagata sunt semina malorum omnium, que tunc cum nostras urgeant cervices, & vitæ fortunisque minentur,*

tur, immo intentent atque in ferant perniciem, evidentius senti-
mus & ferimus ac deploramus acerbius. *Quantas lites, quam
superba diffidia, & occulta odia, insidiasque quam violenta con-
silia severint struxerintque quæ bella indixerint, quæ pericula, no-
cumentaue frumento fructibusque crearent, deliquia anni qua-
dragesimi quarti, cum Luna tota, atra caligine, ter sædum in
modum deformaretur? Sol plus de unce sui orbis obscuraretur,
adeo, ut in quibusdam locis interdiu stella illuxerint, ac conspe-
ctæ sint; eo ipso, & sequentibus annis, ex eventu didicimus.*
Casp. Peuc. fol. 661. de Astrolog.

To proceed; we are advised by Rigel, prudently and wa-
rily to consider the Sun, and in no wise to forget in our Judge-
ments what effects are dependant upon him; chiefly in an E-
clipse.

And Leovitiuſ writing upon the great Eclipse of the Sun
which was conspicuous upon April 9. 1567. with relation
to the great Effects thereby portended, exclaims, *Profe-
ſſo tam tetram ac horrendam Eclipsin Solis ab anno Domini
1544. non habuimus, nec etiam multis futuris sæculis habituri
ſumus. (i. e.) We verily (saith he) have not had so horrid and
prodigious an Eclipse of the Sun, since the year of our Lord
1544. neither shall we in many ages to come, have the like a-
gain.*

As Leovitiuſ said then of that, so may I say of this E-
clipse; (and I hope, in some respects it may be received as
a word of welcome to the world; it intimating, though
not at present, yet a future happiness unto it) we shall not
in many Ages have the like Eclipse again: but (mistake
me not) this I say not, by reason of the number of di-
gits eclipsed; but by reason of that part of the Zodiack
in which the defect happens, with a regard had unto the
many sad attendants it hath, and the several rough con-
comitants it meets with, in signification and portent.

Some (perhaps) may wonder I insist not upon the effects
of Jupiter somewhat more in this Discourse, he being the
next in dignity to Mercury in this Solar Eclipse. But to
myself I answer, that his benifique * significations are hin-
dered by Mars, (as before I urged) and also Saturn; so that

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lem considera-
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Solis non sunt
oblivioni tra-
denda. L. Ri-
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* Jupiter must
suffer many
hardships, run
through great
difficulties,
combat with
many hazards,
torments, and
afflictions, suf-
fer several
scuffs & jeers,
& many scars,
wounds & dis-
graces, before
he can come to
his shine, and shew
himself in his
native lustre,
signification
and portent.

his noble significations are herein totally impeded and obscured, at least for a time : but possible it is, by that time *Jupiter* comes into *Cancer* again, the *Saturnine* evils will be a little blown over, and *Europe* may then begin to partake of his illustrious and noble rays and influences; which will then be so glorious and dazling, that *Envie* shall not stand before them.

Thus far in general : Come we next to some particulars by this Eclipse denoted.

The Effects (such sad ones as they are) you have heard of already : my first particular Enquiry shall be of the *Ubi*, the place where those several before-mentioned Effects shall operate, or chiefly shew themselves : And those are such, as Astrologers (from a large Experience of the *beautiful smiles*, and *black events* of heaven) have placed under the Celestial Signe *Cancer*, and its Quadrangle, viz. *Libra*, *Capricorn*, & *Aries* ; some whereof (as you may see in my *Doctrine of Nativities*, from pag. 83. to pag. 87. in Part 1.) are *Holland*, *Zealand*, *Scotland*, *Granada*, *Burgundia*, *Numidia*, *Carthage*, *Africa*, *Bithynia*, *Colchia*, *Denmark*, *Sweden*, *Germany*, *England*, *France*, *Palestina*, *Polonia minor*, *Austria*, *Livonia*, *Sabaudia*, *Thuseia*, *Cassia*, *Macedonia*, *Illyria*, *Thrace*, *Albania*, *Bulgavia*, *Lituania*, *Saxonia*, *Hassia*, *Thuringia*, *India*, *Iles of Orchades*, &c. for Kingdoms and Countries. And for Cities and Towns, these : viz. *Naples*, *Florence*, *Capua*, *Ferraria*, *Augusta*, *Verona*, *Brunswick*, *Padua*, *Amsterdam*, *Venice*, *Genoa*, *Constantinople*, *Tunis*, *Cadiz*, *York*, *St. Andrew*, *Lübon*, *Antwerp*, *Arles*, *Spires*, *Vienna*, *Frankfort*, *Placentia*, *Oxford*, (poor Oxford !) *Constance*, *Mecklin*, *Brandenburg*, *Vilna*, *Cleves*, cum multis aliis, &c. All which Kingdoms, Countries, Cities and Towns, or any of them, I say, are strongly menaced by this eminent Solar Eclipse ; and their inhabitants will have great need to make use of both *prayers* and *tears*, to avert the heave Judgements of a highly-offended God, at this time, and for some ensuing years, impending over them.

A Word unto each of these Kingdoms and Countries, more plainly.

Holland

Holland and Zealand, you are in the first and chiefest place, concerned in this Celestial Apparition. *Saturn* is in Opposition to your Ascendent: the Sun is Eclipsed in your Horoscope: and the fiery Planet *Mars* is in Quadrate Aspect unto it. Your Trade is in danger of being totally ruined; your Merchants, of being utterly undone: your Great-ones, are at their wits end; and Poor-ones, ready to mutiny for want of Bread! Make peace with *England* betimes, or shortly it will be too late for you: a little more struggling will reduce you from *High and Mighty*, unto *Poor and Distressed States*! Let not your own Astrologers (as of late they have done) flatter you with the hopes of what is never likely to happen: for I unfeignedly protest, all these (and greater) mischiefs will fall upon you, unless you are wise in time, and by a prudent and sudden Submission and seeking of Peace prevent it.

* *Scotland* hath always had the reputation of a wise Nation: let not an Ignote Zeal against things indifferent, overcome thy Prudence: Cross the Proverb which says, *Omne malum à Boreale*. Be peaceable, and be happy.

* This was written before the late Rebellion there; but the Caution may serve for the future.

Granada, thou wast first raised out of the ruins of *Illi-beris*, and hast long continued in great splendour: be not too confident of thy strength and riches, but keep peace and amity with thy Neighbour-Princes: pay thy Tribute quietly to thy undoubted Sovereign, and then thou mayst escape returning into thy first matter.

Burgundia, thou didst first own the God of the Christians for thy advantage: it will be for thy profit now, to maintain thy Religion, and thy Peace.

Numidia, be quiet within thy self; quell Mutinies and Insurrections in the bud; and pray that thy Prince be as fortunate as *Massinissa* was.

Carthage, (once the Lady and Mistress of *Africa*, and so continued neer 730 years;) thou hast been often obscured; now thou art threatened again, but not with total ruine: It was thy Custom to crucifie, not onely the unhappie Captain, but even him whose bad counsel had a prosperous

event : Improve at this time the advice of thy vertuous Counsellors, and be happie.

Africa, (the *Romane Africa* I mean) thy abundant Plenty is turning into Want.

Bitthynia, thou wast not formerly more peaceable, pleasant, and fertile, under the Government of the Christians ; then now thou art likely to prove unquiet, disturbant, and barren, under the Turks.

Colchia, the glory of *Armenia*, thy Chymical Sun is neer an eclipse ; thy Golden Fleece, and all thy Mynes, are departing from thee.

Denmark, thy Prince hath a Royal Genesis, yet he is but a man : let not a *Cancerian* people by their policy bring thee under water.

Sweden, if Sword and Sicknes get not the upper hand of thee, thou mayst do pretty well : thy damage comes from the South.

Germany, be patient a little, and let the Whirlwinde pass thee ; and thy Sun shall shine again, and thy Eagle shall extend her wings, and flie a pitch, beyond the power of Turk or Tartar to molest thee.

England, be quiet a while, thy Storm is neerly over : practise Loyalty, keep Peace within thy self, and the conspiring world shall never injure thee.

France, the effects of *Med. Cal.* to a Square of *Mars* attend thee : trust not too confidently to thy Purse and Power.

Palestina, the Sun's ashamed to see thy *Holy Land*.

Polonia minor, thou art falling retrograde under the effects of this Eclipse ; there needs no other bridle to keep thee from advancing.

Austria, cherish not Factions within thy self : thy Eclipse will prove but Platique, and that (*sine mora*) without continuance : thou wilt recover thy glory again.

Livonia, thy Merchants smart to purpose ; domestique Quarrels, and petit Tyrannies, bring the scourge upon thee.

Sabandia, thou art molested both at home, and from abroad,

abroad, and wilt be for a season: afterwards, thou mayst of *Malvoy*, become *Salvoy* again.

Thuscia, the honour of *Italy*, for promoting Celestial Learning; the glory of the world, for unexhausted and never-failing Steel-mynes: pray that thy slighting the former, bring not upon thee the malevolent effects of the later.

Cassia, Intestine Jars, and Forraign Enemies, create much trouble unto thee: be assiduously vigilant and preparing, that the *Parthian sword* prove not too sharp and heave for thee.

Macedonia, be careful to prevent Fires, and trade not too much Westward.

Illyris, 'tis thy lot to have many Conquerours.

Thrace, thy ancient Custom was to mourn at the birth of Children, and to rejoyce at their death: it was a Practice Orthodox and Pious; assume it again, it may now be necessary.

Albania, kick not against thy Superiours, nor thy Peaces; lest another *Scanderbeg* rise out of thy own bowels again, to punish thee.

Bulgaria, be wise; lest thy too strict adhering to a Turkish faith, ruine thy stately Palaces, and destroy thy Princely Cities.

Lituania, Worship and serve the true God; your *Dishpan*, or God of Smoke, cannot save you from common Flames or Troubles.

Saxonia, keep peace with the Emperour, and ward a Westward storm.

Hassia, thy *Lion barry* is like to lose his Crown; engage not too far, for fear on't.

Thuringia, History makes mention of thy having been many times burnt, but thou hast revived, like a Phoenix out of the ashes, into greater glory. God grant thou mayst be so happie now, and ever.

India, as thy Country is great and populous, so thy afflictions designed by this Eclipse, will be great and eminent.

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Orchards, thy Swans sing not so sweetly as in times past; and thy great plenty of Fish, seems wasted : thy inhabitants grow sluggish and inactive ; Diseases waste their courage : but you will meet with timely relief and amendment.

Secondly, and not onely to Kingdoms, Countries and Cities, &c. are these Ecliptical effects carryed or directed ; but unto many individual persons, men, women, and children : more especially unto such, that shall have either the tenth degree of *Cancer*, or its opposite Signe *Capricorn* their *Medium Cali*, Horoscope, or place of either of the Luminaries in their Nativities.

Unto some persons, they denote death ; to others, tedious and durable infirmities ; unto a third sort, they denuntiate a Catastrophe of Honour, and a ruise of reputation, fame, &c. affliction by continual Controversies, vexatious Law-suits, &c. to a fourth sort, destruction of Parents, friends and acquaintance, or an absolute hatred between them and the Natives contracted or procured, no ways reconcileable. To a fifth sort, Imprisonments, Banishments, Exile, the wrath of Princes and Potentates. To a sixth sort, Blindness, or loss of one of the Luminaries of their bodies : and this most certain, if the Sun and Moon were weak, or any way afflicted at the birth of such persons.

Thirdly, such persons as shall be born at the time of this Eclipse, will either suddenly, (or else in some short time after it) die : or if for some competent space of time they should possess a place among the living, they will live most miserable and diseased ; subject to a thousand troubles and infortunacies, &c. And I could wish that any ingenious adversary to Astrologie, (for some such I have charity to think there are) would take the pains, and observe the births of such children, (for I, God permitting life and liberty, intend to do the like) and after a candid inspection of the Figures, and serious observation of the Natives unto whom they belong, publish them, either to
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the disparagement of Astrologie, or conviction of their former thoughts thereof. The tryal would be easie, and might either correct the confidence of Astrologers, or better inform the judgements of their Antagonists.

Fourthly, to put a little more weight in the Scale; persons that shall be born at the time of this Eclipse, if they shall prove vital; will be ugly, or of an ill-favour'd aspect; that for their evil looks, they shall be hated and abhorred by many while they do live. The reason hereof is this: *Saturn* and *Mars*, the two unfortunate Stars, afflict the Luminaries at the time of this Eclipse: and Astrologers say, (*nemine contradicente*) When the Sun or Moon shall be (in any Geniture whatever) in Conjunction, Quartile, or Opposition of *Saturn* and *Mars*, (chiefly when both of them shall so suffer) it portends an ill aspect, and great detriment and damage to the Natives sight, if not an absolute blindness.

But then (perhaps) you'll say, this Astrological reason is not Universal enough: take then a Physical one: The sight resides in the Eyes, and particularly in the Chrystalline humour there; which is by nature cold and moist, and governed by the Luminaries of heaven: [for Man, you must know, is a *Microcosm*, or little world, and hath a Sun and Moon in him, like the greater:] now this noble and Celestiall humour, being opposed and oppressed by one more earthly, (as *Saturn* properly signifies) or by one more hot and fiery, (as *Mars* governs) is attracted beyond its proper and peculiar seat; and thereby made not onely less serviceable, but less pleasant; according to the quantity of the oppression it labours under. Whence come those unpleasant looks, and abhorred defects in many persons, commonly called Purblinde, Squint-ey'd, &c. and sometimes an absolute blindness, or total deprivation of sight.

Many more matters might have been observed from this eminent and famous Solar defect; but these short Animadversions touching upon the principal things thereby signified, shall serve to illustrate the effects thereof; and also to commute for my promise made in my last years *Ephemeris* concerning the same.

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P O S T - S C R I P T ,

Ad Lectorem.

BEing in *London* all the late terrible *Visitation*, and observing this *quondam-glorious Citie* labouring under the mightiest *Discontents* imaginable ; sadly lamenting the dismal sight of *Coffins*, and their *Cadaverous* guests ; having no other *Musick* heard within her, but *Bells* to a mournful *tune*, and her *inhabitants* in every corner wretchedly bewailing the loss of their *Relations* of all kindes : And taking notice, that, not onely *Empericks*, but the learned *Physicians* themselves, were deceived in their *Prognosticks* and *Cures* of that *Raging Pest*. 'Tis true, they used *divers Means*, to put a *check* unto its *fury* ; but, as the number of their *Antidotes* increased, the *Weekly Bills* augmented : as if *God* and *Nature* were angry beyond an ordinary degree of *Pacification*, and would not suffer those *Celestial influences* to be baffled, from whence these cruel *Calamities* issued.

Observing these things, I say, I was resolved to try how far *Astrologie* might be serviceable in this matter, and accordingly took *Pen* in hand ; and (for this *dejected Citie's* comfort and encouragement) wrote a short *Discourse*, which I intituled,

London's Deliverance predicted, &c.

In which Book, according to the true and plain *Rules* of *Astrologie*, I acquainted the world, when the *Pest* should arrive at its greatest height ; and afterwards, with the time of its abatement ; as also of the several *Countries* suffering thereby.

And although I aimed at nothing in that *Treatise*, but the comfort of the (then) many suffering souls in this great *Citie* ; I have had the hard hap to be mis-interpreted for many

many things therein; chiefly, for my plain discussion of this
 terrifying, but most necessary Question to be scann'd, viz.

Whether the Plague be catching.

For my pains in this Enquiry, Mr. John Booker, in his Almanack for 1666. is pleased to spend above a Page upon me; and urges a Definition of the Plague, and ingeniously explains it: but yet is pleased to let my Arguments stand untouched, and onely says, he could instance the Plague to be infectious and catching by innumerable means, but that he wants room. I should (I confess) have been glad to have seen his Arguments brought in opposition to mine; being as ready (if Reason require) to retract an Errour, as write a Truth. But for any man to say, he is not of my Opinion, and not to shew me a reason wherefore, is not (I conceive) the way to win me unto his.

There is another Gentleman also, a Doctor of Physick, (which Title (fairly obtained) and Profession also, exceedingly honour) hath been pulling at me in Print, for my maintaining the Negative in the Question above propounded. This Antagonist is angry in earnest, and tells the world, That I deserve to be answer'd by the Magistrate, and that there is no way to suppress my Opinion, or answer my Arguments, but by putting in execution an Order published in Queen Elizabeth's days.

To which I answer: If there be any such Order as he pretends, I humbly submit my self and Opinion unto it; as also unto all other Edicts proceeding from Authority. *Contra Legem non est disputandum*: and he must be strangely Rebellious, that opposeth the Laws he liveth under.

To contemn what we cannot conquer, some commend as good Policie; and to pretend to answer a serious Argument with the power of the Magistrate, or an Act of Parliament, is (I confess) the onely infallible way to stop any Opponents mouth. How like a Philosopher that way of arguing is, let the knowing world judge.

But I believe this Gent. is as bold with Authority, as rigid with me: for I never yet heard or read of any Order publish-

ed, to prove the *Plague contagious*, or to prohibit a discussion of that *Question*; except from his Pen: although I can say, I have often consulted Poulton.

And considering some other passages of his, I perceive that he is not more angry at that my *Opinion*, then at the *Celestial movers*, the *Stars*; whom (saith he) many have accused as the *Authors of the Plague*. I have (I acknowledge) in the *Book* before mentioned, proved the *Stars* to be (*sub Deo*) the *Causes of the Pestilence*: but nowhere do I bring an accusation against them, as I know of; believing them free from guilt, and not meriting an *Impeachment* for the same; they onely performing that *Office* therein, which *God* appointed them for at the beginning.

But this *Gentleman* (notwithstanding his aim, and fruitless pains, to render me ridiculous, and the *Stars* (I studie) *inefficacious*;) is not (in the mean time) aware, of his own running into an *Errour* of far greater magnitude; viz. in his asserting the *Original of the Plague* to have been the *ROTTEN MUTTON* eaten in the year before.

Now, let any rational man consider whether of the two, come neereſt the *Truth*: I, in asserting the *Stars*; or he, in maintaining *Rotten Mutton*, to be the *Cause of the Pest*. An *Epicurean* may, and frequently doth ascribe more to his belly, then unto those glorious and ever-busied *Lamps of heaven*. I cannot stand here to repeat the *Arguments* I have urged, to prove the *Plague contagious*; I must refer the Reader, for that, to the *Book* it self.

But if *Rotten Mutton* be attended with such fatal effects, why not a *Plague* every year after a *Rot of Sheep*? which is the common consequence of every moist *Summer*. Or, if the *Plague* were truly the effect of *Rotten Mutton*; how then holds it true, what he asserts elsewhere, in the same *Discourse*? viz. That the *Plague* came to us from the *Netherlands*, and to them from *Smyrna*, in a parcel of infected goods. Was there a *Rot of Mutton* in *Smyrna* too? *Risum teneatis, &c.*

To conclude: let it suffice at present, that I deny any such way of infection by *Goods*; and reject the *Romance* of his

his Rotten Mutton: and (as before) do assert, the Stars (sub Deo) to be the true and essential causes of all Plagues: and subscribe unto it.

From my Study in Brick-Court
by the Bowling-Alley, neer the
Deans Yard Westminster.

John Gadbury.



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THE BODY of *ASTROLOGY* (so often by me promised) consisting of many various and different Subjects, each of which requires much more Study and Pains then I at the first expected, will, I hope, this year be fully ready for the Press; I having gone thorow the greatest part thereof already, and doubt not (by Gods assistance) to compleat it in due time: which whensoever done, I shall (with all Candour and Faithfulness) make publique, for the Advantage of the Industrious Students in this Art, and perfection of Astrologic in the English Tongue.

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